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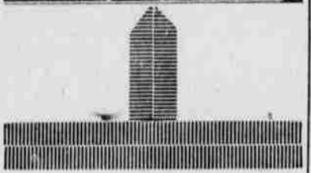
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THE I. O. N. CUT-OFF

After making the trip to Jordan Valley it is not hard to realize why the folk down that way desire to have the I. O. N. Cut-Off built. They certainly need an outlet from that wonderful valley, for truly remarkable is that section. One also comes away from Jordan with a delightful memory of their hospitality and their courageous effort in undertaking to put over so large a program as they did last week.

The trip to Jordan Valley also convinces one that the county court of Malheur county has played fair with the folk down that way and is doing good work on the Nyssa-Jordan Valley market road, and thus furnishing them the needed outlet as fast as the financial condition of the road funds permit. The people of that section have waited long for road work, and never until the past two years has there been any constructive work done. We are sure that when the wet weather comes and they can travel the new grade over what hitherto has been the worst of places, they will appreciate this fact. It is too bad that sufficient funds are not available to complete the highway, but it is certain that no advocate of the I. O. N. Cut-



You should have seen the look of surprise

On a customer's face Saturday when after he had selected and decided upon a (Michaels - Stern) suit with out asking the price he found it was only

\$30.00

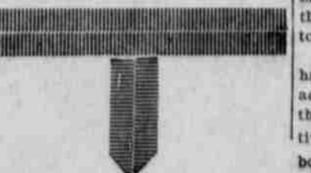
Reminds us of the story of the man who won \$50.00 the first time he ever bet on a horse race ---- "How long has this been going on?"

Opening mens' eyes to unusual values goes on here six days a week and every time we surprise a customer with our low prices he turns around and smothers us with friends.

(Michaels - Stern) Suits and O'coats at less than you expect to pay.

\$20 to \$50

Toggery Bill
Ontario, Oregon



Off can say that Malheur county has not done its part, and that it has not worked out a logical plan of taking care of the worst stretches of road from Jordan Valley this way, and from Nyssa southward. Neither of the neighboring states can point to a better record nor to as costly work.

BEING EDUCATED

IN GOVERNMENT
Oregonians are getting a liberal education in government these days. Ontario was honored in being selected as the site of the initial lecture on the part of administrative advocates and now has had first hand their views on how the cost of government has mounted. Some time during the next few weeks, no doubt we will be able to attend a second lecture on this subject by speakers of the other side, and then in the good old American way decide for ourselves which is the more logical and reasonable and proceed to register that approval or disapproval on November 7.

Whatever the result may be the people themselves will know just what their part has been in voting for tax-carrying measures and in raising the amount of money annually collected in Oregon. If the meeting held here Monday night is a criteria the campaign of the administration is to be one of calm analysis of the situation to bring forth the record for inspection, such an effort would be enlightening and instructive.

THE CAUCUS

That there were a number of surprises registered by Ontarians who did not attend, at the result of the caucus Monday night, goes without saying, for they were not informed on what was going on.

The very fact that so many citizens were out at the meeting manifests a healthy sign in political affairs for it shows that the people are interested. It also showed that to a degree at least there was some organized effort representing a protest against the present administration and this protest came from two sources, so some observers believe.

The ticket nominated is one composed of well known men, several of whom have had previous councilmanic experiences and generally speaking are known as conservatives in their business affairs. At the head of the ticket is Mr. G. W. Haw, who came to Ontario a few years ago after years of success in ranching in the Jamieson Valley, the Argus does not know whether or not he has had previous experience in municipal administration, but feels that he is of that type of men who are not rushed off their feet by passing whims.

In justice to the present administration it should be said that it has been a good administration. It has been careful of the city's money, it has kept the expense of government to the very minimum, and it has been fairly strict in its efforts to secure law enforcement. In fact but a few months ago there was considerable agitation in some quarters for less law enforcement and a more liberal policy, but neither Mayor Doolittle nor the Council gave this movement any encouragement. In spite of this fact, which is well known to many, those citizens who desired less regulation of pool halls, etc. united with those who seek a strict law enforcement policy to rebuke the present officials. This is paradoxical, but it is true.

It is not hard to understand such a situation if one stops to think of how people of different temperments and ideals look upon matters of this kind.

There are always some who desire to keep beyond the boundary of the law and who resent any effort to keep them within their limits, and there are others who knowing of violations of the statutes always believe that the law could be more strictly enforced if the administration but willed it. The more each of these groups think about the matter the more they blame the administration in power and resolve to seek a change. Neither of them take into consideration the difficulties of the administration's position. For an administration, it is always a case of blamed if you do and blamed if you don't.

In spite of all the handicaps they faced the members of the present administration have served the people well and have furnished a good example for those who succeed them. The Argus feels certain that if the men nominated last Monday evening do as well they will have every reason to be congratulated and that in the doing of it they will face many tasks more difficult than their champions now imagine them to be.

One of the few complaints we have heard concerning the present administration is that concerning the failure to put a stop to the activity of a group of alleged Basque bootlegger whose activity is reputed

to be notorious. These men are evidently cunning evaders of the law, and in justice to the present officials it must be admitted that they are hard to catch. Proof of this is evident for the city marshal can hardly be expected to succeed where county, state and federal officials have failed.

It is one thing to believe that these men are bootleggers; it is quite another to secure convicting proof. The county officials, and the federal prohibition men have been in this city seeking evidence against them, so too has a representative of the state law enforcement branch of the executive office of the state, all have failed so far and therefore the blame cannot be placed at the door of the present administration. The Argus knows that for more than a year efforts have been made by officers to "get the goods" on them.

Those who by supporting a change in the present administration did so in the hope that the reins of law enforcement would be loosened must have been misinformed. If we are any judge of men, the group nominated are not likely to lend themselves to such an effort.

KNOW LITTLE ABOUT AMERICA

Traveler Tells of Odd Beliefs That Are Prevalent Among Even Well-Educated Europeans.

Austin Stack, minister of home affairs in the former cabinet of Eamonn de Valera, tells of some of the curious impressions regarding life in the United States still prevailing among Europeans. "Among other curious beliefs is that every one who lives in America, particularly in the Western states, must be a cowboy. I find that many people habitually refer to residents of the Far West as 'cowboys' in a figurative sense, and I suppose that accounts for part of the notions that are circulated."

Mr. Stack recounted a story told to him by a friend from Butte, Mont., who was entertaining a visitor from Europe. The visitor expected to see the streets of Butte built and peopled along the lines shown in the erstwhile popular western movie, and his first noticed that he seemed to be constantly on the lookout for some one or something.

"Finally," Mr. Stack said, "the visitor turned to his host and asked: 'But where are all the cowboys?' " "Oh, they are never seen in the daytime," the other replied. "They are very shy. They only come out at nights, like the fairies."

And the visitor believed it, Mr. Stack claims.

WHY PEOPLE "BREAK DOWN"

Burden as a General Thing Was Not Too Heavy, but the Load Was Put on Wrong Place.

People are breaking down in health all the time. And as the business man, the housewife and the student fall by the roadside the public dolefully exclaims: "The load was too heavy!" As a matter of fact people break down, not because the load they are carrying is too great, for in nine cases out of ten they could carry more than they are asked to, but because they don't know how to get the load on. Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait writes in the Designer. They put the pack on in the wrong place and then the human machine is used in such a way that a great deal of their energy is required to overcome what would mechanically be called friction.

When the nation's young men and women have been taught to use their bodies correctly and are standing up straight many of the problems facing the country today will have been solved. There will be fewer instances of break-down in the mill and the office and the home. People will carry their loads easily. The development of their bodies will make it possible for them to know the fullest joy that life can give.

The Hated Profiteer.

"Everybody hates a profiteer," said Secretary Hoover at a Washington banquet, "and everybody knows where the profiteer will go to when he dies." "A millionaire profiteer was carried off by indigestion, and his employees attended the funeral in a body. By the terms of the will the profiteer was buried in a strange manner. He wore his newest frock coat, his largest diamond ring and his costliest platinum watch. Furthermore his best cane was buried with him, and in his mouth was his newest set of teeth, the set with the gold plates.

"I understand all this business," said one of the dead profiteer's employees. "It's for show. But I can't understand about the false teeth. What's the sense of it?"

"The sense of it," said another employee, "is easy to see. How would the boss feel when he got to the 'weepin' and wallin' shop if he hadn't a fine set of teeth?"

Sure He Will Find Treasure.

An Irish farmer risked his all on a field of two acres near Mullinger, which, in the ordinary way, would have brought about \$200. After brisk bidding he paid \$2,000 for it. The farmer who has become the new owner expended his life's savings on its acquisition. He declares his intention of digging over the whole acreage in search of treasure. Some time ago a box was dug up in the field, and was found to contain some Spanish gold coins and a map, believed to indicate the hiding place of more treasure in the field.

TEND TO STARVE THE BRAIN

Writer Warns of Pernicious Effects That May Be Exercised by the Stiff Collar.

We are once more threatened with the stiff, tight, pre-war collar. Doctors have repeatedly warned parents against the dangers of allowing their sons to wear collars of this type.

It is pointed out that the wearing of high, stiff, tight collars retards the flow of blood to the brain, and thus starves the brain cells, says London Tit-Bits.

The result of this brain starvation is that the wearer becomes lethargic, and stupid and dull in his school work. His brain is not up to the tasks it is required to perform; he becomes indifferent to his studies, and will pore over his books in a semi-dazed manner. Often, too, he will take less interest in athletics, and this tends to reduce his vitality and mental activity.

Although the effect of wearing a high, stiff collar is not so noticeable in the case of an adult, it is not good for the general health, and also leads to colds.

The old-fashioned stiff collar with turned-down corners is still worn by Doctor Chamberlain, while for years Lloyd George has worn a kind of Gladstone collar, but without the gap at the throat.

Bernard Shaw has always denounced the starched collar as an abomination. Many other famous men, especially literary and artistic celebrities, have worn soft collars. Byron always wore a style of his own—soft, wide open.

JOYS ARE BUT TRANSITORY

Delectable Perfumes Will Not Long Gladden the Prisoner in Cleveland County Jail.

Attar of roses and sweet scents of Araby! There's an electric perfumer at the county jail. It casts all kinds of sweetness on the prison air. Just turn the button and the jail becomes a garden of roses or fragrant with the scent of orange blossoms.

The other day the atmosphere of the jail reflected the aroma of the forest cedar. It might have been Norway pine, sassafras, crab apple blossom, but it just happened that the perfumer was charged to dispense an aroma tinged with forest cedar.

The machine has possibilities, the sheriff believes. It might be employed to awaken the prisoners each morning with scents of violets and soothe them at breakfast with odors of ham, eggs, corn fritters, grapefruit and other viands not on the regular morning menu of coffee and butterless bread.

Oh, yes, indeed, the machine has possibilities. If it was charged with a few quarts of hooch confiscated in raids, why, the old jail would be one of the most popular breathing places in the county.

At night it could discharge the odor of pineapple or figs or dates, and any prisoner with a good sense of smell and a strong imagination could readily go to sleep and feel that he was in Hawaii.

But the perfumer is in jail only on trial—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No Gold Coins for France.

For the first time in history not a single gold coin was struck at the French mint in 1920. The minting of silver, continued at the beginning of the year, was stopped when silver reached a record price on February 11.

Please send in your Barrington Hall Coffee coupons as soon as convenient, and we will redeem them.—E. A. Fraser.

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YOU have an interest in schools? Then be sure to understand the true meaning of the School Monopoly Bill which is called on the ballot the Compulsory Education Bill.

The reason that this name is misleading is because we already have compulsory education under the present existing law, and we already have compulsory teaching in English in all schools.

What this bill really proposes is to substitute state control over the education of your children for your control.

The people of Michigan have already overwhelmingly defeated this measure, because it attacked the freedom of education.

Protect your rights which are being endangered—do not be misled by the name of this bill. Read the proposed bill carefully. Read the campaign literature. Find out the intent of the bill which is disguised by the title.

You will find that that they propose school monopoly. A hidden attack upon freedom of education.

Vote 315X NO on the
School Monopoly Bill

Called on the ballot Compulsory Education Bill

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